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<b>Request For Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal</b>  Address to: MS RCE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450	<b>Application Number</b>	09/873,580
	<b>Filing Date</b>	June 4, 2001
	<b>First Named Inventor</b>	Harumitsu Fujita
	<b>Art Unit</b>	2823
	<b>Examiner Name</b>	F. L. Toledo
	<b>Attorney Docket Number</b>	T2171.0196/P196

**This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application.**

Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application.

1. **Submission required under 37 CFR 1.114** Note: If the RCE is proper, any previously filed unentered amendments and amendments enclosed with the RCE will be entered in the order in which they were filed unless applicant instructs otherwise. If applicant does not wish to have any previously filed unentered amendment(s) entered, applicant must request non-entry of such amendment(s).
- a. ☐ Previously submitted. If a final Office action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Office action may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked.
- i. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_
- ii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
- b. ☒ Enclosed
- i. ☒ Amendment/Reply
- iii. ☒ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iv. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
2. **Miscellaneous**
- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) required)
- b. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
3. **Fees** The RCE fee under 37 CFR 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR 1.114 when the RCE is filed.
- a. ☐ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. \_\_\_\_\_
- i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e) 06/07/2004 MAHMED1 00000061 09873580
- ii. ☒ Extension of time fee (37 CFR 1.136 and 1.17) 01 FC:1801 770.00 0P
- iii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
- b. ☐ Check in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ enclosed
- c. ☒ Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

**SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED**

<b>Name (Print/Type)</b>	Joseph W. Ragusa	<b>Registration No. (Attorney/Agent)</b>	38,586
<b>Signature</b>	<i>Joseph W. Ragusa</i>	<b>Date</b>	June 3, 2004

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Docket No.: T2171.0196/P196  
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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

re Patent Application of:  
Harumitsu Fujita

Application No.: 09/873,580

Group Art Unit: 2823

Filed: June 4, 2001

Examiner: F. Toledo

For: MULTI-VOLTAGE LEVEL  
SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE AND ITS  
MANUFACTURE

**AMENDMENT/SUBMISSION**

MS RCE  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Prior to issuance of the next Office Action after entry of the Request for Continued Examination filed herewith, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**FEE CALCULATION**

Any additional fee required has been calculated as follows:

\_\_\_ If checked, "Small Entity" status is claimed.

	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest Number Previously Paid	Number Extra Claims Present	Rate	Additional Fee
Total	13	- 20* =		X	
Independent	2	- 3** =		X	
First presentation of Multiple Dependent Claim(s) (if applicable)					
<b>TOTAL</b>					<b>0.00</b>

\*not less than 20

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No additional fee is required.

In the event a fee is required or if any additional fee during the prosecution of this application is not paid, the Patent Office is authorized to charge the underpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-2215.

**CONTINGENT EXTENSION REQUEST**

If this communication is filed after the shortened statutory time period had elapsed and no separate Petition is enclosed, the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks is petitioned, under 37 CFR 1.136(a), to extend the time for filing a response to the outstanding Office Action by the number of months which will avoid abandonment under 37 CFR 1.135. The fee under 37 CFR 1.17 should be charged to our Deposit Account No. 50-2215.